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Prof D. Rossiyskiy,
Honored Member of Science

The eucalyptus tree that is found in great numbers in the southern part of Russia is useful in many ways. The growing eucalyptus tree is effective in controlling malaria because it requires a large amount of water and tends to dry up any marshes or bogs in its vicinity, thus eliminating potential breeding places for malarial mosquitoes. Eucalyptus oil has been used in ointments and has proved effective in the treatment of bronchial disorders. Preparations made from the leaves are used for treatment of various intestinal diseases. These preparations are also used to decrease the amount of sugar in diabetics. Eucalyptus ointments have been used satisfactorily as analgesics in neuralgia.

Numerous tests on diseased and normal animals and humans proved that eucalyptus preparations produced no after effects. One of the more famous surgeons at Sochi, Dr M. A. Aliyev, uses eucalyptus preparations in his surgical practice.

A program should be initiated to plant great numbers of this tree and conduct research into the medical uses of its products.

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